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WEEKLY SAINT PAUL FIRE & EMS BLOTTER

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This feature we call "Fire & EMS Blotter" is a weekly update of the activities of the Saint Paul Fire Department. During the week of May 27 thru June 2, the Saint Paul Fire Department responded to 797 calls for service. Here is a **sampling** of some of the emergency and non-emergency activities from information provided by the fire department.

ARSON - On May 27 at 3:14 p.m. on the 600 block of Chatsworth Avenue South fire companies were called to a report of a garbage fire. Saint Paul Police were already on scene and found some melted plastic on the playground equipment. Damage is estimated at \$100.

PEDESTRIANS STRUCK - On May 28 at 9:01 p.m. on the 1500 block of Grand Avenue a 46 year old man and a 40 year old man were sitting in front of a coffee shop when a vehicle jumped the curb and struck them along with several others. Both of these men were transported to a hospital by paramedics with non-life threatening injuries.

UNDETERMINED - On May 28 at Rice Street and University Ave West fire companies were called to a report of a rubbish fire. Upon arrival they found that there had been a small fire in the plastic wrapping around a newly installed automated pay parking machine at a vehicle lot. Most of the plastic had melted, and there was minor exterior damage to the machine. There were numerous cigarette butts close by so careless smoking cannot be ruled out. Damage is estimated at \$1,000.



ELECTRICAL FIRE - On May 29 at 8:18 a.m. on the 1600 block of Whiter Bear Avenue North fire companies were called to a report of a fire in an electrical panel at a commercial business. Upon arrival they found the electric panel in the basement on fire and quickly extinguished it. Damage is estimated at \$100,000.



DWELLING FIRE - On May 29 at 9:32 p.m. on the 1300 block of Stillwater Avenue fire companies were called to a report of smoke coming from a dwelling. Upon arrival they found a working fire on the second floor and quickly extinguished it. The occupant left the house for about an hour when he returned there was smoke and then fire coming from the second floor. The fire was likely caused by overheated old knob-and-tube wiring igniting the combustible insulation. Damage is estimated at \$225,000.



PEDESTRIAN STRUCK - On June 2 at 8:48 p.m. on Fairview Avenue South and Grand Avenue a 35 year old man was skateboarding and hit the side of a trailer that was being pulled by a truck. He was found lying on the street. Paramedics treated and transported him to a nearby hospital.